Superintendent’s Report December 2023

1. Open Positions

**Barnet School**
- Elementary Teacher
- After School Program Coordinator

**Cabot School**
- Special Education Paraeducator
- Bus Driver

**Central Office**
- 2 High School Paraeducators at the St. Johnsbury Academy
- Certified Deaf/Blind Intervener
- Tutor
- Superintendent of Schools
- Multi-Tiered System of Support (MTSS) Coordinator

**Danville School**
- No open positions at this time.

**Peacham School**
- Life Skills one-on-one part-time paraeducator
- Preschool paraeducator

**Twinfield School**
- Bus Driver
- Food Service
- Middle school boys basketball coach
- Preschool Paraeducator
- Global Citizenship Teacher part-time
- Long Term Substitute Teacher for Preschool (Spring 2024)
- Learning Services Coordinator part-time

**Walden School**
- No open positions at this time.

**Waterford School**
- Preschool paraeducator
- Food Service (4 hrs school days)

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2. **Medical Leave** – I returned to work on a part-time basis on October 20th. I still have some restrictions on nighttime driving and driving distance.

3. **State of Vermont School Facility Analysis** – The reports are in and delivered to the respective district boards.

4. **PCB Testing** – At this time we have a pretty good understanding for how to remediate PCBs in the three schools. What we are lacking is a Corrective Action Plan for each site that will actually allow us to remediate. The scale of the challenge is different in all three schools, with Cabot facing the most complex and expensive remediation need for its gym. I wish I could tell the three district boards when we will have those plans; we are at the mercy of DEC.

5. **Required Policy Work following Legislative Session** – S.138 – the School Safety Bill, required us to adopt two policies by August 2023. The SU Board adopted those policies on behalf of the Districts at its June meeting. We are still waiting for guidelines for developing the required All-Hazards Emergency Operation Plans spelled out in the legislation. Latest from the AOE is to expect these updated guidelines in early January. The plans have to be in place by June 30, 2024; we will make best effort to meet that deadline, given that we were supposed to have had the guidelines in late summer.

6. **Project AWARE** – We have started the implementation steps for Project AWARE. One of the opportunities that comes with this project is (partial) funding of an MTSS Coordinator for the SU. I had briefed the SU Board on this position back in the spring. The project provides up to $80K in funding annually for this position over the life of the project (5 years). That would be enough to pay salary but we would have to kick in for the benefit costs. I will update the SU Board on this as we work through the hiring process.

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1. **CCSU Updates**
   a. Special educators participated in training on an evidence based reading intervention program called Fast ForWord. It is always helpful to have a variety of intervention programs and strategies to support struggling readers.
   b. We are working collaboratively with the finance department to ensure information is as accurate as possible regarding students with exceptional costs.

2. **AOE Updates**
   a. Selective monitoring submissions were completed in a timely manner for our initial and triennial evaluations completed between September 1, 2023 and November 15, 2023. The preliminary data shows that we are in 100% compliance with both of these indicators. I am hopeful that we will be done with monitoring until the next time we receive cyclic monitoring.
   b. Information was completed prior to the deadline to register students and request ACCESS test materials for those receiving ELL services.

Respectfully submitted,
Anne Landry
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